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For: **IMAGE PICKUP APPARATUS WITH FUNCTION OF ADJUSTING INCIDENT
LIGHT QUANTITY**

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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action having a mailing date of May 10, 2004. The three month shortened statutory period to respond is set to expire August 10, 2004.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, the Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow all claims pending in this application.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.